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HOUSE RESOLUTION 79
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate NASA scientist Roger Crouch on his fight aboard the Space Shuttle Columbia.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected officials of the state of Tennessee should pause to pay tribute to those outstanding citizens who have made extraordinary contributions to their chosen fields; and

WHEREAS, Roger Crouch is one such remarkable individual, who was on board the Space Shuttle Columbia as it departed Earth on April 3, 1997; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crouch served as a payload specialist for NASA's first Microgravity Science Laboratory (MS-1) mission flight, thus fulfilling a lifelong dream; and

WHEREAS, a native of Jamestown, Roger Crouch received his bachelor's degree in physics from Tennessee Technological University; and

WHEREAS, after graduation from college, Roger Crouch began his illustrious career in research with NASA at the Langley Research Center in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, he later received his master's and doctorate degrees and became the chief scientist of the Office of Microgravity Science Laboratory; and

WHEREAS, in this important position, Mr. Crouch has expertly managed research projects and has contributed significantly to the success of the space shuttle flight program since 1985; and

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WHEREAS, his admirable perseverance, his many meritorious accomplishments, and his peerless dedication to the Space Shuttle mission distinguishes Roger Crouch as a true leader in scientific research and aerospace exploration; and

WHEREAS, Roger Crouch's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and congratulate Mr. Roger Crouch on his recent flight aboard the Space Shuttle Columbia, and extend to Roger Crouch our best wishes for continued success in future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.